

(4) Efforts by the Board to generate additional revenues for the Maryland Tourism Development Board Fund; and

(5) Other short- and long-term strategies for tourism development that, if adopted, could help improve Maryland's competitive position with its neighboring states.

SECTION 6. AND BE IT FURTHER ENACTED, That this Act shall take effect July 1, 1994. ~~It shall remain effective for a period of [4] 7 years and at the end of June 30, [1998] 2001, with no further action required by the General Assembly, this Act shall be abrogated and of no further force and effect.~~

SECTION 2. AND BE IT FURTHER ENACTED, That this Act shall take effect October 1, 1997.

May 22, 1997

The Honorable Thomas V. Mike Miller, Jr.
President of the Senate
State House
Annapolis MD 21401

Dear Mr. President:

In accordance with Article II, Section 17 of the Maryland Constitution, I have today vetoed Senate Bill 399.

This bill expands the regulation of secondhand precious metal object dealers and pawnbrokers by requiring additional reporting, restricting business transactions, establishing civil penalty provisions, and increasing criminal penalty provisions.

House Bill 278, which was passed by the General Assembly and signed by me on April 29, 1997, accomplishes the same purpose. Therefore, it is not necessary for me to sign Senate Bill 399.

Sincerely,
Parris N. Glendening
Governor

Senate Bill No. 399

AN ACT concerning

Maryland Secondhand Precious Metal Object Dealers and Pawnbrokers Act -- Amendments

FOR the purpose of establishing procedures for storing or holding precious metal objects ~~or personal property~~ at a location other than the business address; requiring that those locations be accessible to law enforcement units and certain agents; expanding the definition of "primary law enforcement unit" to include certain units designated in a certain manner by certain municipal governing bodies; altering certain required statements on the application form for a certain license; requiring certain proof before issuance of a license; prohibiting the issuance of a certain license to a minor;